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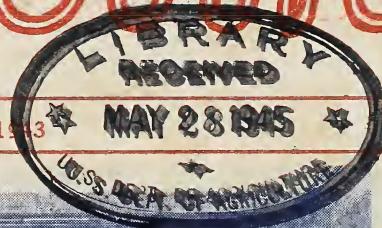
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SALUTE

FCA Servicemen we salute you. FCA is proud of its men and women in uniform. This special edition of the Grapevine has been prepared to please and honor you. We are proud of every man who does his duty as well as he is able. We are proud of the number of officers among the men we have sent to war.

We have sent our best men into uniform and up to the battle line. We expect you to meet the challenge of war with victory. If the task had been easy we would have sent a boy to do it. This is a man's job and you are the men for it.

We sent good men. We know you men. We know what you are made of. Your courage, determination, skill, your physical stamina, confidence, and drive will do the job assigned against our powerful enemies. But after that job is done, do this--bring these qualities back with you. We need your courage, endurance, and determination for the problems of peace. Let it be said that while we sent good men, better men came back.

SPECIAL SUPPLEMENT

Included with this issue is a Special Supplement listing the addresses of our men and women in service. Many of us have been waiting for these addresses to write. Here they are.

THE FCA AT WAR

"Symbols of the Farm Credit Administration at War" might well be the title of the picture on the cover of this issue. Some of you will recognize it as the main entrance to the FCA in Kansas City, our Fourteenth Street lobby. In the middle, over the receptionist's desk is the great seal of the FCA. Except for it, almost everything else in the lobby has to do with the war. Above the seal is the Minuteman Flag, awarded us because 10 percent of our pay roll is going into the purchase of war bonds. As a further incentive to support the war effort, the receptionist sells defense savings stamps. You can see the sign advertising them on the table behind her desk.

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ROUNDUP ON THE FCA FAMILY

Many old timers scattered to other agencies after FCA was ordered to K. C. But wherever they are, they are still members of the FCA family. In the following paragraphs we give you men a flashback on old friends, where they are, and what they are doing.

Governor's Office. Jim Wells and Bob McConaughay are now Deputy Governors; Dot Dyrberg is the Governor's secretary; Walter Droste is the new President of the Federal Land Bank of St. Louis.

Personnel Division. The move to Kansas City in May 1942 resulted in loss of Joe Jordan, who joined Ted Wilson in Treasury Personnel office; Mary Mathis, Tom Flynn, Milt Hall, and others are still in Washington. Some old timers are still with our Liaison Office. Art Weatherbee is with WPB. Dayton Hull is with ODT. Sanders Love is with Bureau of Printing and Engraving. Cecil Johnson is the present Chief of Personnel Division. Elbert Smith is Chief, Central Office Personnel Section.

Administrative. Pop Hinman has retired; Herb Pendleton joined OPA and is now in Navy doing river patrol on the Potomac. Tom Piper is now Chief Clerk. Johnny Kennedy returned to FCA to head up Graphic and Duplicating. Charline Gadde is working at Navy in Washington - Julia Connor returned to FCA to serve in her place. Clara Jones was unable to come to K. C. Chuck Huntington and Fats Arnold remained to print for OWI. Hoyt Elkins is heading up the Duplicating shop - Mac Norris couldn't take it and returned to Washington; John Hayes is the only male mimeograph operator. Miriam Vance is with the Agriculture Library. Stanley O'Donnell joined Denzil Right at Treasury. Charlie Iseli gave up the Mail Room to Francis Smith just when it became a beautiful job with girl messengers.

Cooperative. Milt Clark has just returned to OPA in D. C.; Jess Strong is now Deputy Co-op. Bank Commissioner; Dorwin Scott is Treasurer of the Central Bank for Co-ops; W. C. Frazee is now Asst. Deputy Co-op. Bank Commissioner.

CR&S. Tom Stitts is serving with FDA; Omer Herrmann, who was Acting Chief of the Division for a while, is Lieut. Colonel; Harold Hedges is now Acting Chief.

Credit Union Section. The C. U. Section is no longer part of FCA. Milt Rygh is with Budget Bureau; W. P. Mallard is with Social Security.

E&CR. Dick Smith has had to retire from service from ill health; Bill Moore is with Alien Property Custodian; A. B. Lewis is with BEW; Wendall James is with FDA; Harry Trelogan is with OAWR; Herb Mumford transferred from CR&S to E&CR.

Examination. Jim Costelo is with War Shipping Administration; George Olson is in the St. Paul Examination Office. G. L. Courtney died shortly before the move to K. C. Heine Mousel is Asst. Chief Examiner. Ed Scherich is with FHLEB. E. B. Collins went with Credit Union to FDIC.

ECL. Walter Eliff is now with GAO in D. C. Roland Dulin went to OWI, Carroll Power to OCD.

Finance & Accounts. Marguerite Reynolds went to War Department. Carl Schwartz is with Budget Bureau. Eichelberger, Terwisse, and Catts are no longer with us. Pop Holmead had to remain in D. C. with his pigeons. Tom Murphy is with the Liaison Staff. Dot Smith, Lucille Jones, and Gyda Reisner stayed behind. Hal Vincent is regional manager in the New York OPA Regional Office. Gus Justusson is with Treasury; Bob Harvey went to Tampa with the Navy; T. E. Adams is with Treasury. Joe Waldron and Louise Keagle went with WPB. Bill Wilson went with War Dept. Dan Messer went with Office of Education. Ella May Scott is in D. C. Kenny Light is Chief of F&A steno pool.

FLB. John Lawson and Bargamin went to the War Department. Bob King is with OPA. Bill Snyder recently transferred to Budget Bureau. Ed Koch went with Interior. Verner Gowin is Asst. Reviewing Appraiser in Baltimore. L. G. Porter, Brannon, Browne, and Newcomb couldn't come to K. C.

Solicitor's Office. Danny Farr died shortly after reaching K. C. Tom Darnall is with Dept. of Justice. Arthur Bernard is with FDIC. Victor Boyden could not come to K. C. and has since died; Russ Burchard, May Bigelow, A. B. Parker, and Bob Farrington recently returned to D. C. Jack Spratt and Judge Hulbert are with our Liaison Office. Elias Marks went with Farm Security. Carol Schoonmaker has transferred to Philadelphia. L. G. Anderson is with RFC. Al Letzler and M. M. Durrett are with OPA.

FFMC. George Thomas is still in Washington on the sick list. Don Carnes and Bill McNamee recently joined Rubber Reserve Corporation of RFC. Art Hendricks is practicing law in Illinois. Kuykendall is working for Navy Department. Hersh Walling is with Budget Bureau. Carroll Brown is with War Department; McInnis is with RFC; Clare Gentzler is with War Dept. P. B. Hite went with RFC. (Incidentally, Mortgage Corporation won the bowling championship again.)

RACC. C. C. Jacobsen is on extended sick leave. A. C. Sullivan is heading the Division. Larry Peak is Commander of Camp Curtissair, near a Curtiss New York plant where fighter planes and transports are produced.

Production Credit. Cam Garman is now Asst. Director of Budget and Finance in Agriculture Dept. W. J. Kerlin is with WPB. L. D. Wylie is with the Bureau of Public Roads.

OUR WASHINGTON REPORTER

News is pretty scarce around here except for the fact that Spring has finally arrived. Ho hum -

Ensign Alexander Swantz is stationed at Indianhead, Maryland - having reported for active service April 5. Who should drop in today but Seaman Ralph Drumheller! - just back from the war front with "Atlantic Crossing" and "African Campaign" bars on - he was in the thick of it at Casablanca and Tunisia and saw many horrible and terrible things - censorship forbids writing any details but he said his destroyer received credit for sinking 2 U-boats. When his leave is up he goes back to active duty and we certainly wish him luck.

CR&S Division has 2 new additions to its professional staff - Georges M. Weber (formerly with OPA) and John L. Wann (formerly with WPB). Among our visitors from Kansas City this past week were Sarah Schneider, S. U. Baxter (ask him about losing his brief case in St. Louis), W. T. McKeown, and Gordon Van Leer.

The Personnel Liaison office has taken up temporary headquarters in room 4536 - but we hope to be "back home" again soon. McGuire, Peffer, and McAuliffe paid a visit to Blanche Stone and are glad to report that she is daily gaining strength and hopes to be back in K. C. by June.

BIG STAG BANQUET TO HONOR SERVICEMEN

One hundred and twenty FCA men gathered on April 22, 1943, at the President Hotel to honor our servicemen already in uniform and 17 men about to be inducted. The turnout was a fine tribute to Farm Credit's soldier contingent from our men, among whom were many veterans of the last war, including Wells, Fraile, Van Sant, Anthony, Hemstreet, and others.

Entertainment was furnished by a troubadour accordionist, an acrobatic and tap dancer, a vocalist, and a magician (who mysteriously removed Goody Simonds' shirt without removing vest or coat). Keynoter Isleib exuded sage advice to the expectant potential generals and admirals, and suggested that after one year of being submerged in the cellar of the Municipal Auditorium they should be well qualified for submarine duty. Brief talks were made by divisional representatives seated at the speakers' table. Humorous, impromptu contributions came from Bill Snow, John Guill, Grover Cleveland, Jim Wells, George Brennan, and the Governor.

A special drinking contest, involving 4 of our strongest two-fisted men, will long be remembered as the high spot of the evening. Bill Kelly (second from right in the picture below) won the grand prize (contributed through the efforts and courtesy of "Elsie" of Borden Company farms). John Guill was disqualified on a technicality. Gardner Walker and Elbert Smith (third and fourth from the right respectively) were apparently distracted by the charming entertainers shown in the background and lost out to Kelly.



Fellows, we earnestly endeavored to protect your interests by charging the oldsters with the sacred trust of fighting to retain our rights for male suffrage.

This party, merry and successful as it was, will be nothing to the one that will be staged when you all come marching home.

TO THE HEART OF AMERICA FROM THE NATION'S CAPITAL



FCA ON EXHIBITION

Scene: Former Exhibition Hall, Municipal Auditorium, Kansas City, Missouri.

That fancy marquee over the entrance where you can just imagine in glittering lights-- "Quiet, FCA at Work"....the scrumptious walnut-paneled reception office with the beauteous receptionist framed with the great seal of the FCA, graciously ready to plot your course through the labyrinthian maze of offices beyond.....like you boys in the army, we've thrown privacy to the winds with 7-foot high partitions.

Girl messengers in the mail room.....the concession stand in the north lobby of the Auditorium, no chewing gum, but hot dogs, popcorn, and doughnuts--how we miss ye olde cafeteria on the second floor..... elevators to the penthouse palace of the Governor and his staff, the Production Credit and Intermediated Credit Divisions-- the only plutocrats in the organization to rate windows onto the outer world.....General Files completely underground like a bomber factory.....flashlights scattered throughout the corridors in case of fire or air-raids.....air-conditioning--too hot when you want to be cool.....above us in the arena WAAC's drill every afternoon, Paul Whiteman rehearses, Bette Davis emotes, soldiers get their pay, elephants and tigers prowl, the American Legion meets, and everything else goes on if you wait long enough.

The Annex in the Down-Town Garage across the street houses the Property & Supply and Graphic & Duplicating Sections..... the folks over there insolently call the Auditorium the Annex. (EF)

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But the item most carefully watched by all of us is the Honor Roll standing in the corner to the left of the desk. On it are the names of our employees, men and women, who are in the armed forces. If we know someone who has entered the military service, we watch for his name to appear on the roll and if the time seems unduly long, we pester people with calls to find out why his name isn't there. (The Honor Roll is reproduced on the back of this issue. The following names have been added to the Honor Roll since the picture was taken: Levile McFadden, Richard Prewitt, Sam Chronister, Emma Hubbs, Nigel Graham, Bruce Denman, George Waas, George Wienberg, Walter Kowalski, Mercedes Goodson, and Pauline McCoy.) You may not find your name there if you left FCA fairly recently. The reason is that your name is not added until your annual leave has expired. You may be sure that your name will eventually be added.

Also on the left side of the lobby, beneath the clock, is one of our three bulletin boards. It too reflects the war, what with its periodic notices about car pools, victory gardens, etc. So interested have we become in Victory Gardens that a special table was set up by the Farm Credit Club, seen against the right wall, where employees new to the soil can pick up tips on the proper planting of asparagus, etc.

Partly in the picture, at the extreme right, is a rack containing pamphlets for the interested visitor. The two large Red Cross flags hanging on the walls signify the annual drive for pledges, and this year we went all out to help the Red Cross help you. (MQ)

FCA BACKS UP ITS FIGHTING MEN

Behind every FCA serviceman and woman are his FCA friends and fellow workers. Through the Farm Credit Club and other employee organizations they are fighting the Axis on the home front. The Club collects silk stockings, Victory books, and encourages participation in USO social activities. One hundred and twenty-five servicemen were invited to the last Farm Credit Club dance to take the place of our boys in service. Sixty-five hundred Red Cross letters were processed by Club volunteers. One hundred and fifty women volunteered to roll bandages for the Red Cross. In its blood donor campaign the Club made a Kansas City record with a contribution percentage of 32 percent of its employees. The picture below shows our outstanding contributors with number of donations beside each donor's name.



Left to Right: Gladys Hubata (3); Alma Hughes (3); Helen Baughman (3); Hazel Putnam (3); Lt. D. Z. Zimmerman, U. S. Navy Medical Corps.; Clarice Andrews (5); Rosalie Carleton (3); Mary Markel (3); Olga Markham (3); Phyllis Taylor (4)

War Savings Bond contributions have been running at 10 percent of the pay roll or about \$320,000 a year. Participating are 93 percent of the employees. Employees pledged \$5,762.56 to the special Community Chest campaign last fall, part of which

was donated to the USO and other military activities. This spring, in the Red Cross War Chest drive, employees pledged \$3,159.

Twenty-two employees in 1942 and 1943 have taken Red Cross first aid classes; other employees are serving after hours as nurses' aides, hospital aides, in the Civil Air Patrol, and in the Red Cross motor corps; scores of employees have served in civilian defense activities as fire watchers, air raid wardens, auxiliary firemen, and policemen.

You are out in front for us and we are behind you with 100 percent support.

L.T. COLONEL JOSEPH RODRIGO

Of interest to many in Farm Credit who have seen the Bay Cities under the guidance of Lt. Colonel Joseph Rodrigo, formerly of the FICB of Berkeley, was a recent article in the Kansas City Star regarding the visit of General Juan Beigbeder, representative of General Franco, in Kansas City. Lt. Col. Rodrigo is tour aid to the General, assisting him in "discovering the American People," an assignment for which Lt. Col. Rodrigo is especially well fitted. (GB)

MUTATION

Spring has came,
The snow has went,
It was not did
by accident.

The birds have flew
As we have saw,
And this was did
by nature's law. (ANON)

FLASH - REMINDER FOR HIKERS

The bus for the Farm Credit Club trip to Fort Leavenworth on Sunday, May 9, leaves promptly at 9:10 a.m. from 917 McGee St. Extra time should be allowed for purchasing ticket at the bus depot. Those planning to go should notify Miss Quimby, Ext. 338, in order that sufficient transportation for all may be provided. (DLM)

A LETTER FROM DOLPH FUGITT

I want to take this opportunity to thank you for sending me the current editions of the "Grape-Vine." It is a real pleasure to receive them, and I trust that you will be able to continue to send them to me.

I have been aiming to write to you for some time, but you know how things are here. I just haven't had the chance. The copies, as I receive them, are given to Lieut. Colonel Herrmann, who is assigned to this Division (Farm Machinery and Equipment Division of the War Production Board) by the War Department and to Mrs. Rosario White, who, you remember, used to be the Chief of one of our file units, so you see at least three of us are keeping up with what is going on in Kansas City.

I have run across quite a few of the folks Bill Snyder, Bob King, Pearl McKimney, Catherine Orem, Jim Costelo, and a number of others I cannot remember at this time. They all seem to be doing well and tell me that they miss Farm Credit. I join them in wishing that we will all be together again after this mess is over.

Give my regards to the present Board of Directors of the club and to any of the gang that I know.

LUCKY YOU

Lucky you soldiers who rise with the sun
And start the day right with a fifteen-mile run,
Then sit down to eat in those nice cozy camps
While we have to struggle with rationing stamps.

Lucky you sailors who get to ride free
On great big destroyers all over the sea,
Watching the clouds and the white waves like
plumes,
While the price of baloney frantically zooms.

Lucky marines, without trouble or care
At home on the land, on the sea, in the air,
While smiling and happy each day you greet,
We have to battle for four points of meat.

I guess we should stop before going too far--
Believe us, we're kidding, honest we are! (DEW)



SPORTS AT FCA

We believe that many FCA sports enthusiasts who have entered the armed services would be interested in knowing just how hard FCA has been hit by the induction of the outstanding stars of the various sports. Before the men's bowling season was half completed several of the teams were relying on the women's league to furnish enough bowlers to keep the league going. Near the close of the season about 8 or 10 women were bowling regularly in the men's league.

Softball and basketball were really hard hit for players. In years gone by there were interoffice leagues in both softball and basketball as well as a team representing FCA in the Government league for each sport. The current basketball season ended with three FCA men on the team and two men who did not work at FCA. Only 10 men responded to the softball call, five of whom were doubtful if they could play and one man sure of being inducted in the near future.

FLASH - ATTENTION GOLFERS

All men interested in entering the annual FCA golf tournament should contact Keith Dellinger, chairman of the Golf Committee. His extension is 155, room 2149

FLASH - SUMMER BOWLERS

Only 6 men and 18 women have indicated an interest in summer bowling. This number is insufficient to form a league. Accordingly there will be no summer bowling league this year.



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JACKSON, CARL
DAVIS, OSCAR
FRIEDMAN, SAMUEL
MCKENZIE, FRANK
TRESSL, ALBERT
HOPKINS, RONALD
CHAMPION, HERMAN
CRAGHILL, JAMES
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MURPHY, MORRILL
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HILL, BALMER
WATSON, RONALD
GRUMBLES, JAMES
CARL, GEORGE
SUDOL, ELTON
MOYER, CLINTON
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